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ASH GROVE CEMENT WEST, INC.

Inter-Office Memorandum

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Date

To George Wells

From Ken Rone

Copies to Dick Cooke

Subject Progress Report

Jim Post

EAST TERMINAL

We are rapidly running out of Masonry and Type III. I notified Ideal that they could receive no more Mase until further notice. I have been told the same information was communicated to LSNW in the case of Type III and Mase.

Type III has been made at Inkom and is on its way here. We will use it for our bulk customers first, saving the Montana cement for sacks. Also, Leamington is in the process of sending 4000 Tons of Type I.

We completed the very last phase of the plant electrical remodel when the parts finally arrived from Europe. This was the ground fault detection system. The system is now fully functional and ready for City approval.

More progress was made on the DOE Wastewater Discharge Permit. The department indicated that as long as we were making progress on the application that our old permit would govern until the new one was issued.

We continued to bring Superior Silica and Ideal Type II into the plant and will continue to do so until further notice. We will plan to preload the new area near the crusher building with Superior Silica unless Stoneway has additional need for sand stockpiling.

Mr Parker of Tilbury made contact as he does annually to survey wage rates in the area. I again shared our information with him. We have reciprocated this information for years.

WEST TERMINAL

The attempts to field tighten the piston rod in the rod eye were unsuccessful. Though the rod eye was loose enough in

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its threads, the piston and rod could not be budged with tools available to us. It appeared to be binding in the cylinder, possibly due to the misalignment we've measured between the boom and the piston assembly.

Lack of parts and time have caused us to postpone the disassembly of the piston rod eye and pin, as well as the oil spill catch pans. These should be ready for assembly after the next ship is unloaded.

A representative from Pyramint toured the West Terminal to assess its suitability as a blending station for their product. Pyramint is a proprietary accelerated - set cement licensed to Lonestar Industries.

Steve, Jim and I attended a meeting at LSNW to zero in on a recommended course of action to replace the Mid-West unloader for LSNW to take to their board. The final recommendation will be published this week and will focus on the Cyclonaire apparatus.

SHIPMENTS

East Terminal Sales	4,171 tons
West Terminal Sales	6,372 tons
LSNW Shipments	2,837 tons

